HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 714 By McMillan

A RESOLUTION to honor Mr. Kevin William Teets, Jr. for exemplary service as a Governor's Communications Office Intern.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this body should pause in its deliberations to honor and commend certain individuals who through model character personify idealism and endless work ethic for the state of Tennessee as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Kevin William Teets, Jr is one such individual who through his dedication and hard work has been an asset of the utmost degree to the staff of the Governor's Communications Office; and

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WHEREAS, a native of Woodlawn, Tennessee, he is attending the University of Tennessee at Martin, where he is a participant in the University Scholars Program majoring in Political Science and Communications; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished and respected leader, Kevin Teets is involved in numerous extracurricular activities and has served and is serving in several capacities within organizations on and off of the campus of the University of Tennessee at Martin, including holding the offices of President of Freshmen Council, Senator of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts for the Student Government Association, Vice President of Communications for Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity and a Delegate for the Leadership, Enabling, Academic, Discovery Program; and

WHEREAS, Kevin plans to continue his learning in the field of Journalism by working for the Weakley County Press of Martin, Tennessee, and holding the position of Managing Editor for the Collegiate newspaper of the University of Tennessee at Martin, *The Pacer*, and

WHEREAS, Kevin has demonstrated service to his community by being a member of the Woodlawn Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Kevin has had scholarships and honors awarded to him such as Delegate to National Young Leaders Conference in Washington D.C., Coca-Cola Scholar, Presidential Freedom Scholar, Scholar for Governor's School for the Humanities, American Legion Boy's State, and Delegate to the Youth Leadership Clarksville Program; and

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WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government, Kevin Teets, Jr., brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Governor Phil Bredesen's Communications Office during the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Kevin's success as a Governor's Office Intern is directly attributable to his reliance upon the time honored values of hard work, common sense, and to his exceptional ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Kevin has found his intern experience to be most rewarding and this extraordinary young man has excelled in each of his appointed duties; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and congratulate Kevin William Teets, Jr for outstanding service as a Governor's Office Intern for the Communications Office of Governor Phil Bredesen and extend to him our most sincere wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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